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Farrell's candidacy supported

Sister Carolyn Farrell's announcement that she will run for City Council in this fall's elections has been positively received by a majority.

If she wins the elections she will be the first woman to sit on the City Council, making it possible for women's needs and interests to be articulated from a woman's viewpoint.

As a learned person who has been involved in education for a long time, her horizons are more solid and comprehensive.

And, as one who has been active on several boards, including the Civil Service Commission, she already has a wealth of knowledge.

The minority that oppose her decision, mainly from the city, and ironically mostly women, quibble about her role as a religious. Callers on the KDTH Sound Off program the next afternoon said she, as a nun, would do better to stay out of politics. Other comments focused on paraphernalia, "Did you see the earring she was wearing?" Another caller said, "The clothes those nuns wear, I find it hard to respect them



Carolyn Farrell, BVM

anymore." To which another appropriately replied, "Is it the person or the habit that you respect?"

But her role as a religious person and vow of poverty affords the Council an unmatched asset.

The one point a caller raised issue with was conflict of interest regarding church property. However, matters that pertain to

church property are handled at the state level, not the city level. These points then eliminate all chances of conflict of interest.

The other point, that a nun belongs to the convent and no where else, is absurd. Christ did not retire to a monastery. He got involved. He worked with and among people.

Her clothes? The change from habits to ordinary attire has made religious persons more approachable in the eyes of many beholders. People tend to categorize other people. And many have the tendency to regard nuns, because of their habits, as human beings yes, but somewhat different.

Besides, her clothes do not make decisions. She does.

The COURIER strongly supports her decision and wishes her success.

Home-campus station important for Clarke

The future of CLRK has been almost solely determined by available funds (which don't seem to exist) and present equipment (the nature of which is foggy even to those most directly connected with the station.) With a beginning like this, it seems doubtful that the already-shaky airwaves will be airborne for long.

The discouragement provided by Charles Ellis, head of the journalism department, has only made the situation more difficult. Ellis sees Klor, the Loras station, as a catch-all for Clarke students interested in radio broadcasting. Were it not for the enthusiasm of Sue Royals, CLRK president and the club members, the station would not be planning to begin broadcast on Sept. 26 or on any date afterward.

It is true that through co-operation of the Clarke and Loras journalism-communications departments, all academic courses related to radio broadcasting are offered on the Loras campus. And it is true that Klor is much more sophisticated in equipment and organization than CLRK. But this is not sufficient rationale for closing the doors for the CLRK station and sending all students wanting broadcast ex-

perience to Klor, only to be assessed a \$12 membership fee. Klor itself has been helpful in providing moral support and professional advice to Royals and the other club members so that CLRK can continue broadcasting on its home campus. It is ironic that the very department from which CLRK stems cannot be more supportive.

Frahm resigns

Carol Frahm resigned as associate editor of the COURIER Monday. In a letter submitted to editor Anne Ely, Frahm said, "My resignation in no way reflects upon the editors, staff, or moderator of the paper. It is for personal reasons of my own."

Frahm will continue to contribute to the paper as a member of the CCSNS. She said, "In resigning, I am not terminating permanently my ties with the COURIER. If at a future date it becomes appropriate, I may choose to re-join the paper."

Applications for a new associate editor will be taken next week, and a replacement will be selected through an interview with the editorial board.

COURIER CAUCUS

Dear Editor,

Sunday last I had the displeasing experience of dining in the Mary Jo cafeteria. I subsequently ended up ordering out, something that could have been avoided had ARA planned ahead.

Arriving at an hour when I thought I could quickly be served and seated, I found, rather, that I would have to wait for a hot entree. Wait I did, for 25 minutes, to receive spaghetti that was then only half cooked.

Half-cooked spaghetti is less than appealing to the taste buds. I returned my plate to the assistant manager, registered my complaint and salvaged what I could from the salad bar.

I was fortunate. Others waited longer than I to receive an entree only to find that the salad bar had been removed before they were even

through the line.

In lieu of half cooked spaghetti, I was given an option, a cold plate. Of course, if I had wanted a cold plate, I would have taken one before I waited 25 minutes for hot food.

My point simply is this: I think we ought to be able to expect and demand better food, at least edible and better service; since serving food on a mass scale is ARA's business.

This isn't the first time I've had a distasteful experience. I hope it's the last although I fear not. I am certain others share my feelings.

I just wish ARA would have been around to pick up the tab for my ordered-out dinner and to explain why I was 25 minutes late for a meeting that I would have been on time for.

NAME WITHHELD

Politics permeate Homecoming issue

The Homecoming committee's decision to abolish the election of a Homecoming queen and have a six-member court instead is, in theory, a positive move. Now both Clarke and Loras will have equal representation in a traditional part of the weekend's activities and possible hard feelings among candidates will diminish. The banality surrounding the whole "homecoming queen" idea will be at a minimum.

The tradition of having a queen is a fairly insignificant one, but to Clarke-Loras students and faculty, as well as throngs of alumnae, Homecoming weekend is a special time. Old friends come together and special activities bring present students together; a general spirit of nostalgia is part of a tradition that has much more meaning than that of a queen "presiding" over all the activities. The large number of married alums who are graduates of Clarke and Loras re-emphasize the need for co-operation between the two schools in an activity thriving on reminiscences.

It is no secret that there has been

much consternation on both campuses concerning the whole Homecoming concept. Defensive comments like "Loras doesn't want Clarke in Homecoming at all; they can't get rid of us that easily" are falling like leaves on this campus. Related comments like "Clarke doesn't belong in our Homecoming" pervade Loras. Clarke attitudes are geared to the idea that the abolition of the queen election is just one step toward Loras' phasing Clarke out of Homecoming entirely. No one at Loras seems to be publicly confirming that suspicion, but underneath it all, that could indeed be the case.

It is hoped that both schools will evaluate their priorities as Homecoming approaches and the co-operating becomes essential to the success of the weekend. Committees should strive to work in the interest of both schools in order to bolster a unity without which the future of Homecoming is hopeless.

A queen is not important, but homecoming as a whole is. Personal differences and misunderstandings between Clarke and Loras should not endanger a valuable tradition.

Brennan takes sports' reins

By Mary Kaye Reynolds
Feature Editor

"Back off, you guys- no rush on a kick." "Don't run against these guys- you're too slow." "Good job! That's the first thing you've caught all day." With these dubious words of encouragement, senior Sheila "Scoop" Brennan moderates the Clarke intramural football games every Sunday.

Sheila, along with senior Mary Brady, acts as co-chairman of the football program. She will also act as assistant basketball coach under Pat Folk, and will manage the intercollegiate softball team this spring.

Sheila and Mary are in charge of securing referees, taking care of the sign up sheets, and making sure everything runs smoothly.

This is not the first time Sheila has been involved with athletic programs. She was a member of Clarke's basketball team for two years and spends her summers as activities coordinator in a summer day camp. "I didn't have the time for basketball last year," said Sheila. "I had to put more time into academics. Through conversations with Pat Folk, I knew we needed improvements in the programs here."

Sheila's ever present air of confidence shows through as she speaks about her new capacities at Clarke this year. "I'm recognized by the state of Illinois as an official umpire for volleyball, softball, and baseball. As far as being a basketball coach and softball coach, even though it's my first time, I'm sure of myself. I've participated in every aspect of these sports. I've played, coached, reffed, and watched. How can you ask for anything better?" laughed Sheila.

Sheila is excited about her new load of responsibilities, which might understandably send a less stable person running for help. In reference to basketball, Sheila feels that coaching her peers will be advantageous. "When I was on the team, we felt as if we could never get across our point. But I'm going to school with these kids. If there's any problems, I hope they feel they could come to me. These kids know me."

When asked if she didn't feel that could have some drawbacks, Sheila responded, "These kids see me off the court, goofing around, having a good time. But I'm serious on the court. We can be serious on the court and still have fun off-court."

Sheila is as confident about other people's ability as she is her own. "The girls will be in good physical condition for basketball this year. We'll have 12 to 14 players who really know the game. We should be well over 500. We've got the talent

and we've got the coaching." Sheila paused. "That's all you need for a winning season."

Sheila will also be in charge of managing the intercollegiate softball team, which will be in its first year at Clarke. Previously, Clarke has had intramural softball teams, run much the same way as the football program. The responsibility of managing the softball team doesn't scare Sheila at all. As head

coach, she will be organizing and managing the team, and will be in charge of transportation and securing referees. "I'll be totally on my own", Sheila grinned. "I want to see if I'm as good as I think I am."

Sheila paused and said, "I was told once that I'm someone who always knows how to do something right- after it's been done. Well, I'm bound and determined to prove those people wrong."



Sheila Brennan

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Reserving time for writing one of Martin's priorities

By Kathy Grove
Staff Writer

While some men like to flex their muscles, George R. R. Martin would rather flex his imagination. Martin, a journalism instructor at Clarke, is a science fiction writer, and has published two books: *A Song For Lya* and *Songs of Stars and Shadows*. A full-length novel is coming out in October.

"I always knew I wanted to be a writer and since I read a lot of science fiction for pleasure, that's what I decided to write about," explained Martin.

Martin, who was born in Bayonne, New Jersey, was the winner of the 1974 Hugo award for his novella, *"A Song For Lya."* He has also been nominated for the Nebula Award three times, which is awarded by the Science Fiction Writers of America. "I came in second all three times so I guess that's some kind of distinction," said Martin as his bearded face broke into a smile.

Martin received his education at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. He got his B.S. and his M.S. there in journalism.

After graduation he worked as a sportswriter and in 1972 he was "semi-drafted." "I was a conscientious objector," Martin explained. "I didn't have to go into combat but I had to do two years of alternative service instead. I worked for Cook County's Public Relations Department in Chicago."

He was writing and selling stories during those two years but wasn't making enough to sustain a living. So in 1974 he started directing chess tournaments. "On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday I would fly to dif-

ferent cities and direct chess tournaments. The rest of the week I was able to devote my time to writing."

After a while he began directing tournaments less and writing more. Also, the popularity of chess tournaments declined so Martin decided to look for another job. "I decided to try teaching since I didn't want to go back to newspaper or magazine work. I had discovered that they demanded the same energies as writing did. So when I finished work I never felt like writing when I came home," said Martin.

That's when he joined Clarke's faculty. So far, he says, he likes it here. "While Clarke may not have some of the same talents and resources that a large university has, there is a real sense of community here. I like a lot of the people and it has a fairly congenial atmosphere. But I haven't had as much writing time as I had expected," Martin added.

Another thing that didn't match his expectations was the city of Dubuque. "I thought Iowa was one big cornfield. I didn't think it would be so pretty. The hills, the history, and the old houses surprised me too. I didn't think anything in Iowa was old." However, Martin does find some drawbacks in living in Dubuque. "My wife and I miss all the ethnic foods you can't get here. We go crazy over Manchurian, Greek, and Creole food, among others. There just aren't any good eating places here," he said.

Martin met his wife, Gale Bur-nick, at a science fiction convention a few years ago. She doesn't write science fiction herself, but she is a

long-time fan. She has coordinated science fiction conventions and has published some amateur magazines. "We both attended many of the same conventions so we knew each other by name. But it was about a year before we actually got together," Martin said.

When asked about his future ambitions, Martin casually said he just wanted to write more...and become immensely successful. "I want to be one of the greatest writers of the twentieth century. I'm humble enough," he said with a laugh, as his dark eyes lighted up with a bit of enthusiasm. "But I try not to think of that. Otherwise I wouldn't be able to write a word in the meantime."



George R. R. Martin

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"Beach to beech"

(CCSNS)-Observing nature "from beach to beech" describes part of a recent ecology class field trip, according to Rev. Dennis Zusy, biology department chairman.

Zusy accompanied Renata Korona and Carol Sweeney to Warren Dunes State Park, located on the southeastern edge of Lake Michigan.

The trio studied the ecological succession and sand dunes. In lay terms, they viewed how "one plant and animal community changes the environment and paves the way for another new environment," explained Zusy.

Korona, Sweeney and Zusy found examples of all stages of succession: first - sand dunes shifted by wind; second - sand stabilized by small plant growth; next - area of larger plant growth and the final phase - a beech-maple forest.

Another area of investigation was an aquatic bog, which is a relatively thin layer of vegetation lying on water. Zusy referred to it as a "quaking bog" because "walking on it was like walking on a bowl of jelly."

The students agreed that the adventure was not a typical field trip. Sweeney said, "It wasn't what I expected." Korona added that "walking over the sand dunes was like walking into a picture...The view was beautiful and it was clean sand."

Korona explained that she could see "the true succession of plants and trees." She said, "Walking through the woods I realized there was a reason why those kinds of trees were there." Similarly, Sweeney said, "There's a lot more to a sand dune than being a pile of sand."

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IM football continues

The FISTS remained undefeated in the first game of the day as they beat the Women Aware 7-6 last Sunday. Beth Boddicker proved to be the team's most valuable player as she caught both the touchdown pass and the extra point pass.

The Women Aware scored early in the game on a succession of plays by quarterback Peg Smith and receiver Margaret Doyle. Doyle caught a long pass to gain a first down for the team. Then on the next down Smith connected with Doyle once more for a touchdown. The extra point was missed however, leaving the score 6-0, in favor of the Women Aware.

The FISTS were helped towards the goal when they received the ball because of an offside penalty against the Women Aware. Quarterback Paul Schuster then threw a long pass to Boddicker. The touchdown pass followed, putting the FISTS ahead, 7-6. The score remained unchanged for the rest of the game despite several close attempts on both sides.

Diane Peterson received a hand off for the Women Aware after half time but the team did not gain additional yardage due to out of bounds and incomplete passes.

The FISTS received the ball, but also wasted their four downs on incomplete passes and an offside penalty.

When the ball was returned to the Women Aware, Doyle gained about ten yards on a run, but the team was again plagued by incomplete passes.

Second half quarterback for the FISTS, Sherri Hyde, managed to complete more passes than others in the game. She threw to Boddicker three times in the second half, including one first down pass. Paula Schuster also received a long pass from Hyde in the second half.

The Women Aware were slow in the last quarter, the only major play being an interception by Doyle on the last down of the game. The final score was 7-6, FISTS.

Fifths beat Bulldozers 6-0

The Fifth Floor Fifths, looking professional with charcoal painted eyes, came out with a 6-0 victory over the Bulldozers in the second game Sunday. Martie Cramer was the biggest asset to the Fifths, scoring the only touchdown of the game and catching eight other passes or hand-offs. Quarterback Jeanne Burns also connected several passes to Linda Kauth.

The Bulldozers kicked off to start the game, but the Fifths could not take advantage of possession. After two incomplete passes, Mary Brennan of the Bulldogs made an interception. The Bulldogs soon

lost the ball though, and Burns used the chance to connect with Cramer for the touchdown. The extra point was blocked leaving the Fifths ahead, 6-0.

Incomplete passes were common throughout the remainder of the game. The Bulldogs were unable to score despite many close attempts. Mary Brennan made another interception and shortly after that Lisa Drew made her first. Chelley Vician caught two passes and a hand off from quarterback Annette Reiter, but Terri Calder of the Fifths broke through the offensive line three times to down the quarterback before passes were made.

Despite another interception by Lisa Drew and some close downs by Anne Whitehead, the Fifths stayed in the lead, finishing with a 6-0 score.

Green Machine over Rebels 32-0

(CCSNS) The Big Green Machine, billed previously as the Bruisers, trounced The Rebels 32-0 after losing last week to the FISTS. Big Green Machine Jeanne Genoar ran 50 yards for touchdown in the first minutes of the game. Sheila Brennan then ran for the conversion giving the Big Green Machine a 7-0 lead.

After the kickoff, Brennan then intercepted the Rebels' ball but had to punt on the fourth down when the Big Green Machine failed to gain enough yardage for a first down. The Rebels also failed to get a first down and the Big Green Machine was in possession of the ball again. Brennan then connected with Genoar who ran for another six points in the last minutes of the half.

The second half was underway when the Rebels kicked off to the Big Green Machine. On the first down Brennan threw the ball to Laura Henning for a gain. Brennan then ran on the second down, but failed to gain on the third. It wasn't until the fourth down that Brennan connected with Deb Russell for a touchdown pass that gave the Big Green Machine a 19-0 lead. After the kickoff, Brennan intercepted the ball on the Rebel's first down and ran for a touchdown. The Rebels lost possession of the ball when they did not gain enough yardage for a first down. On the Big Green Machine's third down Genoar caught Brennan's pass and ran for a first down. On the fourth down, a pass to Russell resulted in another touchdown and a successful conversion giving the Big Green Machine a 32-0 victory.

The Rebels remain without a win at 0-2 and the Big Green Machine is now 1-1.

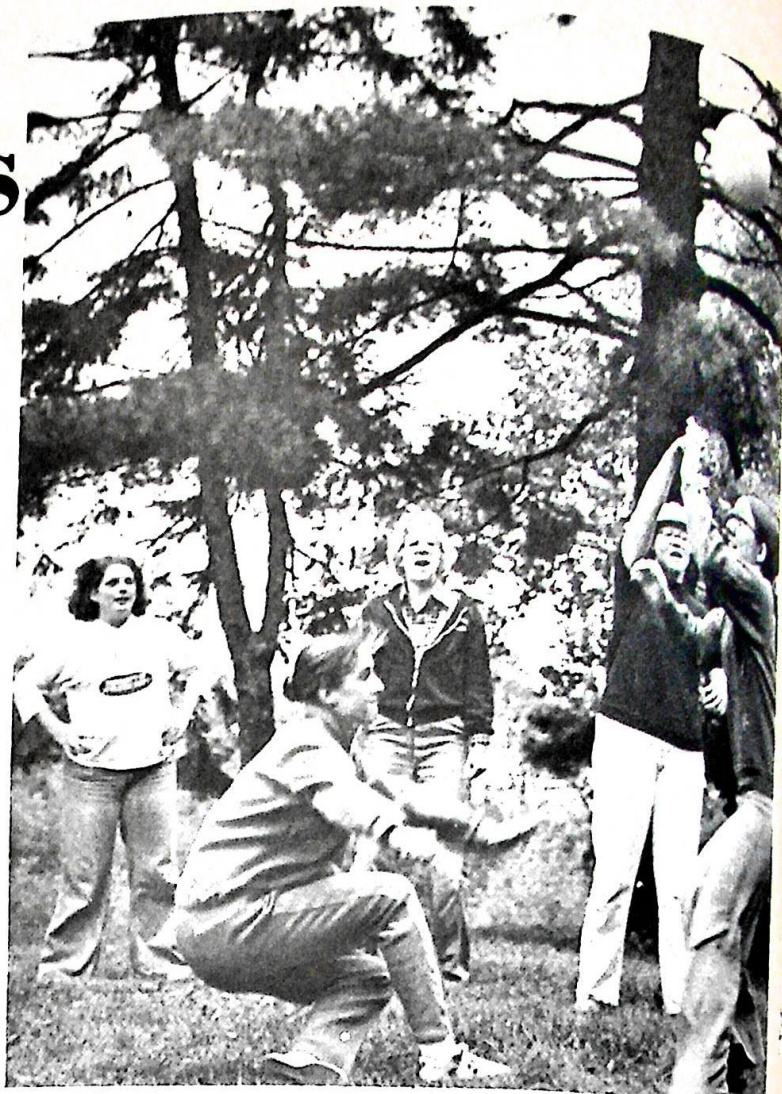
Ryan's Hope whip Scramblers 39-0

Ryan's Hope, high scorers again this week, defeated the Scramblers 39-0 in Sunday's one-sided game. Max Kollash, quarterback, seemed to be able to do nothing wrong as she connected pass after pass. Lorilee Jones, Lisa Hunter, and Chris Green were the main receivers for Ryan's Hope.

Scrambler quarterback Lisa McCarthy made several runs but could get no help from her teammates other than a pass of about 30 yards to Margaret Corrado near the end of the game, and a ten-yard run by Rene Manning. McCarthy also made an interception later in the game.

Chris Green intercepted just before the half giving Ryan's Hope possession once more. Hunter caught a pass from Kollash and ran for a touchdown. The conversion was successful giving Ryan's Hope a 19-0 half time advantage.

In second half action, Eileen McGing helped Ryan's Hope earn three more touchdowns and two extra points by catching two passes and making an interception.



Bionic Bumpers Molly Donovan, Jane Fuller and Rene Manning live up to their name as they bump the volleyball. photo by barbi rice

Volleyball Action

September 19 Results

Bionic Bumpers over Rockettes

15-2, 15-8

Un-Gaw-a over Cloister Clutzes

15-11, 8-15, 15-9

Monday's Games

5:00 Un-Gaw-a vs. No. 4

5:45 Rockettes vs. Cloister Clutzes

Basketball team being rebuilt

Out to improve last year's 5-13 record, Clarke basketball coach, Pat Folk, has instituted a whole new system of play. In his second season at the helm, Folk is going for speed and quickness in what he calls "racehorse basketball."

An organizational meeting was held two weeks ago for those interested in playing on the team. Fifteen girls have since signed up, the majority being freshmen.

Faced with the loss of last year's leading scorer, Sue Smith to Loras, who averaged fourteen points a game, and two letterwinners through graduation, the 1977-78 season will involve a rebuilding

process. Five returnees from last year's squad, Brenda Enzler, Lori Jones, Max Kollash, Cindy Schnier, and Peg Smith along with several freshmen, a few upperclassmen, and a transfer student from Freeport, Illinois, will be working together to better last season's mark.

Practices begin Monday, Oct. 10. They will be held at the Dominican Education Center in Sinsinawa, Wisconsin. Homecourt for the team will be the University of Dubuque's McCormick Gymnasium.

The cagers open their season at

the Coe College Tournament in Cedar Rapids on Monday, Nov. 14. Participating in the tournament will be teams from Clarke, Coe, Mary Crest, and Upper Iowa.

Coach Folk feels that every team on the schedule will be tough to beat. St. Ambrose, Coe, University of Dubuque, University of Wisconsin-Platteville, and Upper Iowa will be stronger. Crosstown rival Loras poses an extra threat with the acquisition of Sue Smith.

Assisting Folk with coaching duties will be senior Sheila Brennan.



Corilee Jones of Ryan's Hope dodges Scramblers Paula Avelleyra and Lisa McCarthy. Ryan's Hope won 39-0. photo by margaret doyle

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Happy Birthday Meg, Anita, and JoAnn. Why are you so beautiful? Why do all the fellows go for you?

Happy birthday Anne (We can't use all those big words!) Why are you so beautiful? Why do all the fellows go for you? 2nd floor, Mary Fran

Attention: Mary Claire Hamblin. Happy 20th birthday, Turkey. Congratulations on leaving your teens!

Jane and Judy: Say it's your birthday? We're gonna have a good time! Cream and Alice

Happy birthday Carolyn! We won't tell Mama that you're legal now... and we know that you're still as pure as mountain snow.

George: Even though you didn't dedicate your novel to us, we still wish you a belated happy birthday. Your Troupe.

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Court Candidates

The nominees for the six court were announced Tuesday. Selection committee Loras candidates are Mary Carol Evan, Hazer, Mary Carol Evan, Ostran, Peggy Ann Lassano, and Clarke candidates are Shelley, Jane Daly, Rene Proczak, and Mary Kaye. Next week Clarke and Loras will pose an extra threat with the acquisition of Sue Smith. The pep rally is the first of the series, which will extend the theme "Loras and Clarke."

CEC slates

Eleven events have been scheduled for this school year by the Cultural Events Committee (CEC). These events range from a musical theatre ensemble to a computer art exhibit. The committee is in conjunction with the University of Dubuque, University of Wisconsin-Platteville, and Upper Iowa will be stronger. Crosstown rival Loras poses an extra threat with the acquisition of Sue Smith. Assisting Folk with coaching duties will be senior Sheila Brennan.